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Ms. Marlene H Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D C 20554

August 19, 2003

Ms. Irene Flannery Universal Service Administrative Company 2120 L Street, N W., Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20037

RE: CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms Flannery:

In connection with its annual universal service fund data submission, The Blair Telephone Company hereby provides written notice that it meets the 14 percent telecommunications plant in service trigger for the following study area for period year end December 2002 and, therefore, qualifies for safety net additive support.

Study Area Name State Study Area Code
The Blair Telephone Company Nebraska 371524

Respectfully submitted,

THE BLAIR TELEPHONE COMPANY

Karen Aman, President

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